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**Amendment**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated 29 December 2005 issued by the USPTO in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the 29 December 2005 Office Action was due 29 March 2006. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a one-month extension of time, including the required fee. Therefore a response is due Saturday 29 May 2006, allowing for submission on the first working day thereafter, 1 May 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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